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RESPONSE

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 12, 2011, with the three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 12, 2011, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and/or remarks.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from October 12, 2011 to November 12, 2011.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.